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First Named Inventor	Hugh TROUT, III
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Application Number	10/667,521
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Art Unit	3762
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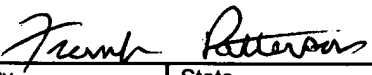
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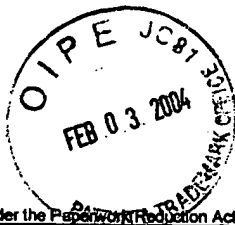
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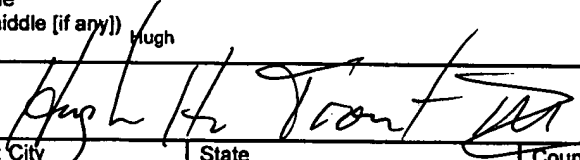
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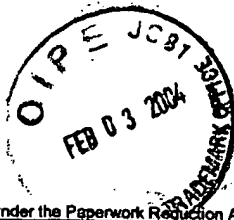
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